



Ms. Clara Pittman

October 6, 1948 - March 6, 2024

Clara Jean (Broadnax) Pittman was born October 6, 1948 in Camden, Arkansas to John H. and Clara Mae (Green) Broadnax. Our loved one passed away on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at the age of 75 years.

Mrs. Clara Jean came to Saginaw, Michigan at the age of 12 years. Singing was her greatest love outside of family. She started singing at the age of four years old, accepted Christ at an early age and began singing all over Arkansas and later, all over the country as a recording artist from various groups such as: Black Ice, Black Diamond, Jeannie Reynolds, The Harmony Stars, Lil Jean and The Voices of Joy, Angelic Voices and God's Vision. Clara

Jean was a proud graduate of Saginaw High School, "Class of 1966". She met and married the "Love of Her Life", "Minister of Music", Mr. Knox Pittman. After Knox passing in 2001, she later became a member of Christ Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church where she truly enjoyed singing as a member of the choir. She later became the mainstay songstress, soloist for Dwelling Place C.O.G.I.C. under the leadership of Pastor Davis. Clara Jean also was the head cook for Tri-Cap PRC for 17 years until her retirement.

Clara Jean leaves to cherish many memories one son, Alden (Katie) Payne; nephew/son, Darrell (Carrie) Wilson, Traverse City, MI; daughter-in-law, Wendy (Elric) Christian, Saginaw, MI; grandchildren, Shalika Fort, Ledarius

Wilson, Tia Christian, Arlania, Darion and Alaya Payne; great-grandchildren, Ny'Asia, De'Shon, A'myiah, Ledarius, Jr., Jaelyn, Jr., Darion, Jr., Ace, Legend, Aviance and Laila; aunts, Bettie (Earl) Broadnax, Sacramento, CA, Mary McCree, Camden, AR; uncle, Samuel Broadnax, Sacramento, CA; nieces, Brittany Rosas, Adaria (Shavonda) Wilson, DaCari Wilson; nephews, Dunte' Ray, Brandon Rosas; special cousins/brothers, Nathaniel Avery, Camden, AR and Jerry Billingsley, Eldorado, AR; god-sister, Letha Faye Adams; god-daughter, Vanessa (McClain) Talton; god-sons, Ryan McBride, Chris and Joseph Dent; many other relatives and friends including special friends of Clara Jean, Rose McBride, Effie Bee Brayant, Tammy and Francis Johnson, Joann Haulcy, Dorothy Wilson and Dexter Thomas.

Mrs. Clara Jean Pittman was preceded in death by her husband, Knox Pittman; son, Elric D Christian; parents, John H. (Clara Mae) Broadnax; sister, Alma Gen Wilson; brother, Joe D. Broadnax; cousins, Mae Otis Humphrey, Mary Lucille Jackson, Selma R. Kidd, James Green and Doris Avery; god-son, Anthony Dent and a very special friend, Doris Frazier

The family would like to express special thanks to Ascension St. Mary's Hospital, Pastor Dr. Willie Hill, Jr. and the Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church family.

Family hour will take place at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, March 16, 2024 at Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church, 1111 North 29th Street, Saginaw, Michigan 48601, with funeral services commencing at 11:00 AM. Pastor Willie R. Hill, Jr. will officiate. Visitation will take place from 2:00-6:00 p.m. on Fri.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 15. 2:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home
441 North Jefferson Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48607

Family Hour

MAR 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church
1111 N. 29th Street
Saginaw, MI

Funeral Service

MAR 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church
1111 N. 29th Street
Saginaw, MI

Tribute Wall

Rose
Hopgood

“ Rose Hopgood lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Rose Hopgood - March 26, 2024 at 03:16 PM

JT

“ Joann Thomas lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



joann thomas - March 18, 2024 at 01:53 PM

DP

“ Dorothy Price-Omar lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Dorothy Price-Omar - March 17, 2024 at 07:47 AM

CO

“ Cookie lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Cookie - March 16, 2024 at 06:11 PM

CM

“ Corey Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Corey Mitchell - March 16, 2024 at 01:23 PM

TG

“ Tresia Givens lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Tresia Givens - March 16, 2024 at 12:09 PM

TI

“ Thumbelina Ibrahim lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Thumbelina Ibrahim - March 16, 2024 at 10:40 AM

CW

“ Cynthia Wlnton=Hood lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Cynthia Wlnton=Hood - March 16, 2024 at 01:46 AM

NW

“ *Nikia Latoya Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Nikia Latoya Williams - March 15, 2024 at 11:05 PM

JF

“ *Janie Wilson & Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Janie Wilson & Family - March 15, 2024 at 10:10 PM

FF

“ *Condolences to the Pitman family on the loss of their loved one. Our prayers are with you Mama Jeanne will truly be missed.*



Frazier Family - March 15, 2024 at 09:18 PM

DA

“ *My heart and prayers are with you, Alden & Katie. May the peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ continue to strengthen you and your family during this challenging time.*



Dena Austin - March 15, 2024 at 09:01 PM

LG

“ Momma Jean was a joy to sing next to. She loved on me every Sunday after church like I was her own after losing my mom. Sending prayers to the family. I love you all and know God will carry you through.



LaShonda Green - March 15, 2024 at 05:23 PM

DM

“ Deon Mayes lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Deon Mayes - March 15, 2024 at 01:59 PM

OF

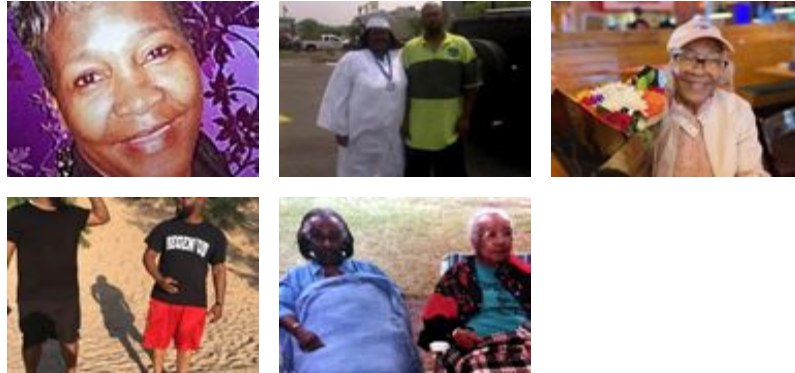
“ Olivia Davis & family purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Ms. Clara Pittman.



Olivia Davis & family - March 15, 2024 at 01:42 PM



“ 68 files added to the album Life Tributes



Browne's Mortuary - March 15, 2024 at 12:25 PM

LA

“ Condolences to the entire family of sweet Jean the memories of her singing will forever be in our hearts. We love you all ... her family from Texas. 🌹

LaWanda Arterberry - March 15, 2024 at 12:18 PM

BD

“ Brittney Donald lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Brittney Donald - March 15, 2024 at 10:19 AM

EK

“ Hi there family my name is Edgar kingjr I was a classmates of Clara broadnax Pittman she was a very nice person and a wonderful classmates she was my closest friend in school the class of 1966 will all keep her in our harts

Edgar kingjr - March 15, 2024 at 07:54 AM

SB

“ *My condolences to the family from the Brown family From Rockford Illinois*



Samuel Brown - March 14, 2024 at 07:01 PM

ER

“ *Such a beautiful person with a beautiful voice. I'm sure u r singing in the heavenly choir Ernestine*



Ernestine - March 14, 2024 at 05:56 PM

NS

“ *I will miss her warm hugs and smile* 💜



Nikimo Smith - March 14, 2024 at 05:06 PM

MT

“ *Melissa Taylor lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Melissa Taylor - March 14, 2024 at 04:56 PM

CL

“ *Cherone Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Cherone Lawrence - March 14, 2024 at 04:56 PM

WF

“ *Weems Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Weems Family - March 14, 2024 at 04:00 PM



“ *Eddie Gaiter Jr. lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Eddie Gaiter Jr. - March 14, 2024 at 03:19 PM

NB

“ *Nancy L. Berry sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Nancy L. Berry - March 14, 2024 at 02:06 PM

MP

“ *Marvin & Gwen Pullom lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Marvin & Gwen Pullom - March 14, 2024 at 01:26 AM

GB

“ *Gloria Blackmon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Gloria Blackmon - March 13, 2024 at 10:21 PM

BD

“ *Betty Donald lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Betty Donald - March 13, 2024 at 01:57 PM

DP

“ *Dennis And Gail Porter lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Dennis and Gail Porter - March 13, 2024 at 09:05 AM

BR

“ To Alden and family my heartfelt sympathy and prayers for the transitioning of Sis. Jean. May God rock you in the cradle of his love, comfort, strengthen and keep you during this time in your lives.



Bettina Redeemer - March 13, 2024 at 08:52 AM

LK

“ Larry Kemp sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Larry Kemp - March 12, 2024 at 09:04 PM

LF

“ Lynn & Family lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Lynn & family - March 12, 2024 at 05:52 PM

MH

“ Missionary Diane Holliman lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Missionary Diane Holliman - March 12, 2024 at 10:37 AM

SG

“ *Shawnda Gaines lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Shawnda Gaines - March 12, 2024 at 09:41 AM

GB

“ *Gloria Blackmon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Gloria Blackmon - March 11, 2024 at 01:13 PM

AW

“ *Cherished memories will always linger in your hearts and minds forever.*
Angelia Williams



ANGELIA WILLIAMS - March 11, 2024 at 10:08 AM

LK

“ *Larry Kemp sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Larry Kemp - March 11, 2024 at 02:12 AM

RA

“ *Condolences and prayers 🙏🙏🙏🙏*



Rose Adair - March 10, 2024 at 10:06 PM

TJ

“ *Thelma Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Thelma Johnson - March 10, 2024 at 10:00 PM

CJ

“ *Cynthia Hinton- Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Cynthia Hinton- Jones - March 10, 2024 at 09:35 PM

DB

“ *Clara my classmate (66)SHS beautiful soul always friendly i loved her character and demeanor may the Lord strengthen and bless her family as they grieve the passing of their love one*



Dorothy Burch - March 10, 2024 at 06:17 PM

IY

“ Praying for your family my deepest condolences

Isabel Yrlas-Wilson - March 10, 2024 at 11:13 AM

IY

“ Isabel Yrlas-Wilson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Isabel Yrlas-Wilson - March 10, 2024 at 11:09 AM

MA

“ Jean, as I called her was a big sister to me, we lived right next door to them on Jane Street, she use to come over our back in the day and sing with her friends, Jeannie Reynolds and LJ playing our piano singing beautiful music 🎵🎵 I have nothing but fond memories of her and her family, take your rest my life long friend 💞 until we meet again, take your rest ❤️ love Marie



Marie - March 09, 2024 at 10:54 PM



“ Sending love, prayers and understanding of your lost of such a beautiful Mother and song bird. She now sings in the heavenly choir. Grieve as you MUST and know Christ understands your sorrow. Fly hi Mother ❤️



Debra Dillard - March 09, 2024 at 09:12 PM

MH

“ *Ms. Mary Harvey lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Ms. Mary Harvey - March 09, 2024 at 08:24 PM



“ *Antoinette Bland lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Antoinette Bland - March 09, 2024 at 06:54 PM

AH

“ *Deepest condolences to the Pittman family. Love you Alden and you're in our thoughts and prayers.*

Audronnia Hawkins - March 09, 2024 at 01:22 PM

AD

“ *Sincere condolences, thoughts and prayers to Alden/Katie and entire family as you celebrate the life and love of this precious soul!*
Larry/Linda Adams



Adams - March 09, 2024 at 12:25 PM

PC

“ Priscilla Craig sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Priscilla Craig - March 09, 2024 at 11:05 AM

KF

“ For many years we shared So many wonderful times moments in conversations working together you have always been a special person in my life. We’ve laugh together talk together and pray together you will be greatly missed may your soul rest in heaven from the FLOYD family

Kirk Floyd - March 09, 2024 at 12:22 AM

LM

“ LOUDEAN MOULTRIE lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



LOUDEAN MOULTRIE - March 08, 2024 at 09:36 PM

KS

“ Kathy Shaw sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman



Kathy Shaw - March 08, 2024 at 08:28 PM

MV

“ *Monica Vaughn sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Monica Vaughn - March 08, 2024 at 07:39 PM

ET

“ *I'm gonna miss you Momma our talks and our going out to eat and shop and helping you out coming to spend the night with you oh the memories my heart is broken I Love you Momma Rest well*

Elder Dexter Thomas - March 08, 2024 at 07:07 PM

RK

“ *Renee Kaiser lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Renee Kaiser - March 08, 2024 at 06:40 PM

RK

“ *To the Payne Family my sincere condolences sis Pitman had a very warm spirit and an angelic voice. She loved the Lord my nickname for her was sister song bird RIP may God continue to Bless and keep the family in loving peace and surround you with his comforting arms. From Lesley Renee Kaiser*

Renee Kaiser - March 08, 2024 at 06:39 PM

IH

“ *Inez Hinton-Summerall lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Inez Hinton-Summerall - March 08, 2024 at 02:15 PM

JO

“ *Joyreeves sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Joyreeves - March 08, 2024 at 01:17 PM

CP

“ *My condolences to Clara's family. She was a special lady. We were classmates at SHS and sang in the a capella choir together. Her voice was so beautiful! She could have been a recording artist if she'd wanted to. I'm very sad. We'll miss her.*



Carolyn D Pruitt - March 08, 2024 at 09:01 AM

MS

“ *Sorry for your lost my God be with you and your family at this time of need.*

Margaret stuckett - March 08, 2024 at 08:00 AM

MS

“ *Margaret Stuckett lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Margaret stuckett - March 08, 2024 at 07:57 AM

DE

“ *Debra lit a candle in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Debra - March 07, 2024 at 10:43 PM

SC

“ *JEAN OUR FAMILIES HAVE ALWAYS BEEN FAMILY, OUR PARENTS WERE FRIENDS AND SO WERE WE YOU WILL BE MISSED BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN THE LADY WITH THE ANGELIC VOICE...THE CLARK AND CARRUTH FAMILY*



SONA Carruth - March 07, 2024 at 03:13 PM

MH

“ *My sincere condolences to all the families of Ms. Pittman. God is always standing by. Lean on him & trust him. I'm speaking from experience. I lost my mother nine yrs. Ago. So I know somewhat how the entire families feel. just so you'll know, I'm praying for you. God bless.*
(Ms. Mary Harvey)



Ms. Mary Harvey - March 07, 2024 at 12:50 PM



“ *Joanie Williams sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Clara Pittman*



Joanie Williams - March 07, 2024 at 12:36 PM

TF

“ *Love you TT take you rest. Alden our heart goes out to you and the entire family prayers love and hugs is sent you way our condolences*



The Gaines Family - March 07, 2024 at 12:15 PM